Senate Bill 957
Sponsored by Senator THATCHER; Senators BAERTSCHIGER JR, GIROD, HANSELL, HEARD, LINTHICUM, OLSEN, THOMSEN

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires school district to make information about functions and programs of school district available at school district's office and on school district's website.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to school district funding information; amending ORS 327.511.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 327.511 is amended to read:

327.511. (1) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule a uniform budget and accounting system for school districts and education service districts.

(2) The uniform budget and accounting system shall include uniform definitions for a chart of accounts that shall allow for valid comparisons of expenditures among schools and among districts. The uniform definitions for the chart of accounts shall be developed by the Department of Education in consultation with the Legislative Revenue Officer, the Legislative Fiscal Officer, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and appropriate organizations that represent kindergarten through grade 12 educational interests.

(3) The uniform budget and accounting system shall allow for the gathering of data on separate functions and programs, including but not limited to:

(a) Individual school;
(b) Grade level;
(c) Curriculum area;
(d) Class size; and
(e) Extracurricular activities.

(4) The Department of Education shall place data gathered from the uniform budget and accounting system in a database that includes information that is accessible by the public through the [Internet, a personal computer or other similar technology] website of the Department of Education.

(5) A school district shall make the data described in subsection (3) of this section available at the school district's office and on the website of the school district.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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